Department of Finance

## STATE OF CALIFORNIA MANUAL OF STATE FUNDS

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#### **Legal Title**

**Unified Program Account** 

## Legal Citation/Authority

Chapter 418, Statutes of 1993

Health and Safety Code section 25404.5

## **Fund Classification**

**GAAP Basis** 

Governmental/Special Revenue Funds

## **Fund Classification**

**Legal Basis** 

Governmental/General Fund Special Accounts

## **Purpose**

Moneys in this fund pay for the administrative and support costs of the program.

## Administering Agency/Organization Code

Secretary for Environmental Protection/Org 0555

#### **Major Revenue Source**

Fees collected by each certified unified program agency, which was assessed on persons regulated by the program. Fees are submitted to the Secretary for Environmental Protection agency for deposit into the fund.

# **Disposition of Fund (upon abolishment)**

Pursuant to Government Code section 16346, absent language that identifies a successor fund, any balance remaining in this fund upon abolishment, shall be transferred to the General Fund.

#### **Appropriation Authority**

Moneys in this fund are available upon appropriation by the Legislature.

#### **State Appropriations Limit**

**Excluded** - Revenues in this fund are not proceeds of taxes, however, when transferred, may become proceeds of taxes. These revenues are used to regulate the activities engaged by the payers.

#### **Comments/ Historical Information**

The administering agency for this fund has changed from Toxics/Org 3960 to Secretary for Environmental Protection/Org 0555. Chapter 418, Statutes of 1993 created the Unified Program Account and included a number of provisions that would reform and streamline the regulatory and permitting process of the State and consolidate various hazardous waste regulatory activities at the local level (e.g., underground storage tank regulation and hazardous materials emergency response planning). The consolidated programs are administered by a local agency known as a Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA). State agencies, with Toxics as the lead agency, oversee the CUPAs. State agencies recover their costs through a surcharge on the unified fee that regulated entities pay to the CUPAs, and the surcharges are deposited in the Unified Program Account.

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